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IPAWS CA

INTEGRATED PUBLIC ALERT AND WARNING SYSTEM
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IPAWS Conformity Assessment Overview

Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) National Continuity Programs Directorate is sponsoring the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS) Conformity Assessment (CA) Program to verify that alert and warning software and hardware products conform to the Organization for the Advancement of Structured Information Standards (OASIS) Common Alerting Protocol (CAP) v1.2 USA IPAWS Profile v1.0 and other IPAWS requirements as identified in the IPAWS CA Program Guide. CAP is a general format for exchanging all-hazard emergency alerts and public warnings over all kinds of networks. When available, CA results can be accessed on the [Responder Knowledge Base](#).

This website provides an overview of the IPAWS CA program, including a copy of the program guide, frequently asked questions, and the vendor intent to test form.

To assist vendors with preparing for CA, a sample test message is available for download. The test message is a sample only and does not represent the full suite of messages and test cases that are conducted during CA. Handling the sample message correctly does not indicate a successful CA result. Modifying the sample message may cause it to be non-conforming and/or produce different or unintended results. Additional information is provided at the top of the [IPAWS CA sample test message](#).



Web Links

[FEMA IPAWS](#)[Organization for the
Advancement of Structured
Information Standards
\(OASIS\)](#)[Responder
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\(340 KB PDF\)](#)[IPAWS CA Program
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